

# Shadows

REALMS™  
OF ARKANIA  
III

OVER

RIVA



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REFERENCE CARD

# SHADOWS OVER RIVA

## Installation and Quick Reference Card

Welcome to *Shadows Over Riva*. This reference card includes everything you need to know to install the game and begin your adventure. If you have any problems while installing or running the game, consult the Trouble Shooting section of this card.

### Minimum System Requirements

486/33 or faster, MS-DOS 5.0 or higher, 8 MB of RAM, double-speed CD ROM drive or faster, 60 MB free hard drive space, mouse, Sound Blaster/Pro/16/AWE 32, Wave Blaster, Gravis Ultrasound, Pro Audio Spectrum 8/16, Ad-Lib or 100% compatible.

### MS-DOS Installation

1. Exit from any other programs, including Windows. Place the *Shadows Over Riva* CD in the CD drive.
2. At the DOS prompt, type  
D:  
where D: \ is your CD drive. Then press the ENTER key.
3. Type **INSTALL** and press the ENTER key.
4. Follow the on-screen prompts. To play the game once it's installed, go to the directory where you installed it (typically C:\RIVA), type **RIVA**, and then press the ENTER key.

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*Shadows Over Riva* application software

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## Windows 95 Installation

1. Place the *Shadows Over Riva* CD in the CD drive. Double-click on the My Computer icon on your desktop, then double-click on the icon for your CD drive.
2. Double-click on the INSTALL.EXE icon.
3. Follow the on-screen prompts. When the installation program asks if you would like to create a Windows program group, respond "Yes."
4. To run the game, first click on the Start button. Select the ROA3-Shadows Over Riva program group, then double-click on the ROA3-Shadows Over Riva icon.

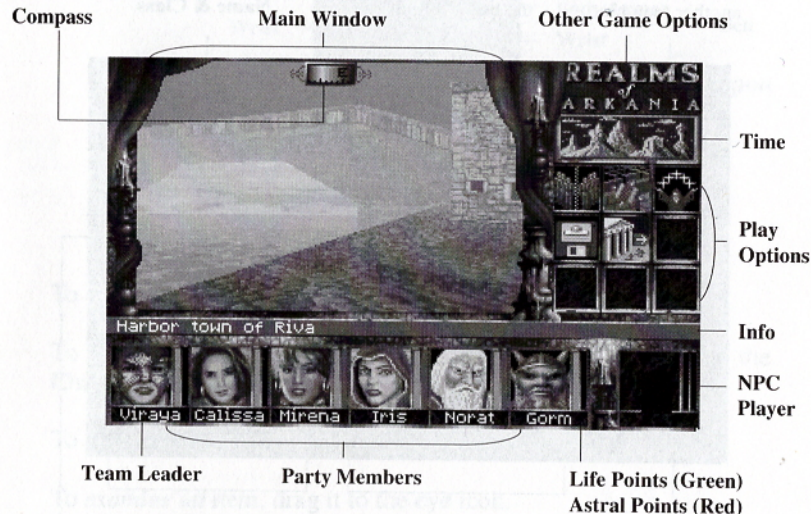
## Creating New Characters

You begin the game with a party of pre-made characters. If you'd like to create your own party, click on the Character Options icon in the Temple where you start. See the manual for more information.

## Transferring Parties from *Star Trail* or *Blade of Destiny*

If you own one of the two previous games in the *Realms of Arkania* series, you may import your old game into *Shadows Over Riva*. Simply copy the old game from the directory \STAR\GAMES or \BLADE into the directory \RIVA\GAMES. Make sure you give the copied save the extension .GAM. Then load the old game by using the Disk Options menu.

## The Main Play Screen



## Character Review

Double-click on a character portrait or press F8

**Portrait.** Arrows to the side allow you to scroll to another member.

**Body.** Click here to pull down the body "blind".

**Name & Class**

Viraya  
She-Warrior

Hunger  
Thirst

EP: 76600  
Level: 6

Money:  
230 45 0B

Height: 184 cm  
Weight: 3360 oz

Deity		Tsa	
CR	13/13	SN	4/4
WD	8/8	AC	3/4
CH	1/13	CL	0/6
DX	3/3	AV	3/3
AG	11/11	NE	7/7
IN	12/12	CU	3/3
ST	16/16	VT	4/4
LP	52/52		
AP	0/0		

MR 1  
AC 4

Endurance 68  
Load 710 oz  
MP 8

Items in Backpack

General Information

Secondary Statistics

**Character Statistics.**  
(Attack & Parry Values also appear here)



Head Cover

Arm Armor

Wrist

Primary Weapon

Ring

Pants

Leg Armor

Necklace

Coat

Body Armor

Wrist

Belt

Secondary Weapon

Ring

Footwear

To *equip* an item, drag it to the appropriate slot.

To *use* an item, click on the item, then right-click to bring up the Character Review options. Select Use Item from the menu.

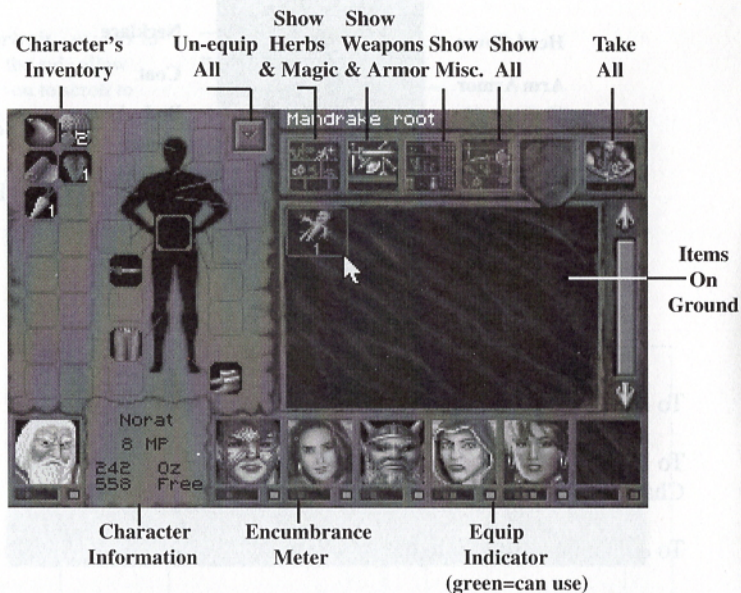
To *eat* an item, drag it to the mouth icon.

To *examine* an item, drag it to the eye icon.

For other options, right-click while on the Character Review screen. The Character Review options menu will appear.

## Item Distributor

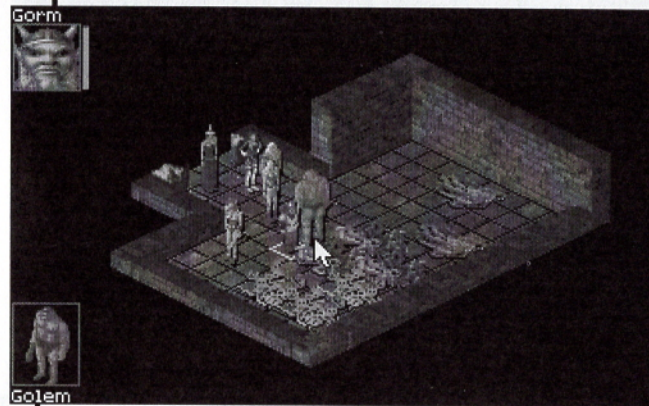
Press F10



To view only a particular type of item, click on one of the four top buttons. For example, clicking on the button that shows a shelf with a sword on it will display only weapons and armor.

## Combat

Active Character

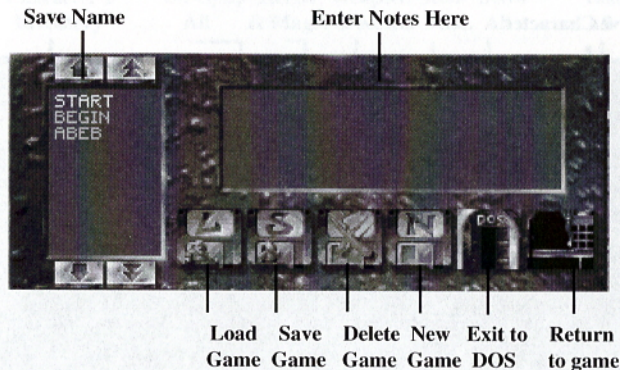


Targeted Opponent

Characters have a maximum of one attack and one parry per round. They may cast spells and shoot arrows diagonally, but may move and attack to the north, south, east or west. See the Combat section of the manual for more details.

## Saving and Loading Games

Click on the Disk Options icon to save or load games.



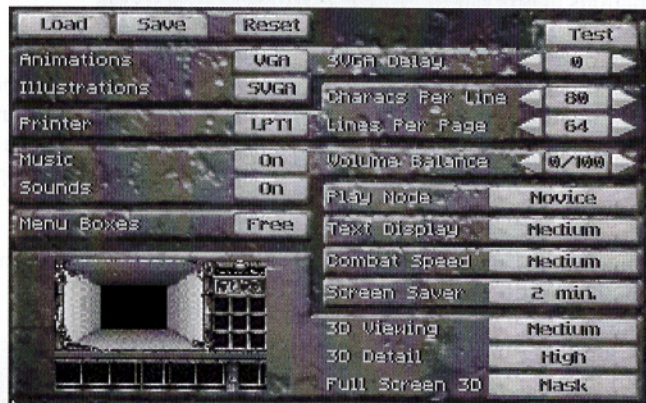
## The On-line Manual

Press F1 to bring up the on-line manual



## The Game Options Screen

Press F3 to bring up the Game Options Screen



At the top of the Game Options screen are three tabs. When you have set the game options the way you want them, click on the Save tab to save your current game settings. Click on the Load tab to load settings you had previously saved. Click on the Reset tab to set all the game settings back to their default values.

There are three groups of game options: Video Options, Printer Options, Game Options, and 3D Options. To find out more about any option, left-click on the option name. A brief description of the option will appear.

In the **Video Options** section, you can set the resolution used for animations and illustrations. You can also test your SVGA display. Note that you need a VESA compliant video card or driver to display animations and illustrations in SVGA.

The **Printer Options** section lets you adjust setting for when you print character sheets or diary entries. If you are having trouble printing, try setting the game to print to "File". The game will create ASCII files instead of sending information to the printer. You can then load the ASCII files into a word processing program to print them.

You may adjust music, sound effects, and the balance between the two in the **Sound Options** section.

The **Game Options** section allows you to set your play mode to Advanced or Novice, as well as adjust the screen saver delay, combat speed, menu boxes, and text speed.

In the **3D Options** section, you may adjust the game's 3D detail levels. If you have a slower machine, you may find that you get better performance with a lower detail level. You may also switch between the normal display and the full screen 3D display. (Note that you can also switch between the normal display and the full screen 3D view by pressing Control-V.)

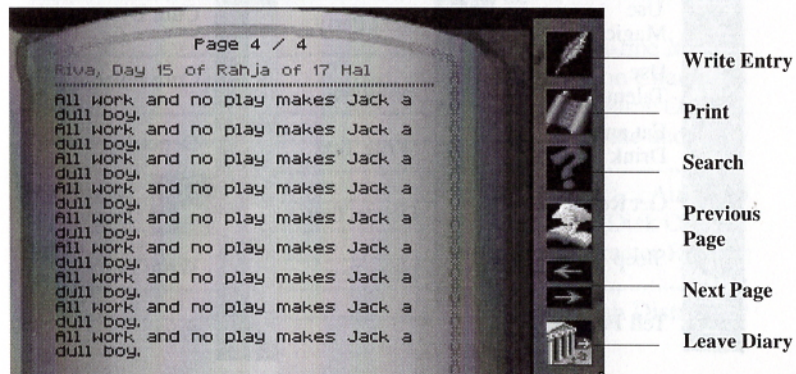
## The Automap

Click on the Automap icon or press F6



## The Diary

Press F5 to access the diary



## Icons

	Exit		Add Character		Buy
	Talk		Remove Character		Sell
	Character Options		Delete Character		Haggle
	Disk Options		New Character		Next/Prev Page
	Donate		Split Party		Repair
	Ask for Miracle		Join Parties		Treat Wounds
	Use Magic		Next Party		Cure Disease
	Use Talent		Automap		Cure Poison
	Eat and Drink		Write Text		Depetrify
	Get Room		Delete Text		Next/Prev Entry
	Sleep		Hide Text		Write Entry
	Tell Fortune		Print		

## Keyboard Shortcuts

<b>Arrow Keys</b> .....	Move
<b>Shift+Arrow Key</b> .....	Run
<b>Alt+Arrow Key</b> .....	Move Sideways
<b>Home</b> .....	Look Up
<b>End</b> .....	Look Down
<b>PgUp</b> .....	Open Menu
<b>PgDn</b> .....	Close Menu
<b>Ctrl-Q</b> .....	Quit
<b>Ctrl-P</b> .....	Pause
<b>Ctrl-V</b> .....	Toggle Full Screen Mode
<b>F1</b> .....	On-line Manual
<b>F2</b> .....	Reposition Characters
<b>F3</b> .....	Game Options
<b>F4</b> .....	Date and Time
<b>F5</b> .....	Diary
<b>F6</b> .....	Automap
<b>F7</b> .....	Disk Options
<b>F8</b> .....	Character Review
<b>F9</b> .....	Score
<b>F10</b> .....	Item Distributor



## Troubleshooting

Here are some of the most common questions about *Shadows Over Riva*, along with their solutions. If your problem isn't listed here, please call our Technical Support number.

### **The game says I don't have enough memory, but I have 8 MB of RAM or more! What's the problem?**

You probably don't have enough conventional memory. Riva doesn't need much conventional memory, but the more XMS memory it has, the better. If you get a "Not enough memory" message, try adding NOEMS to the EMM386 line in your CONFIG.SYS file (for example: DEVICE=C:\WINDOWS\EMM386.EXE NOEMS.)

### **I'm trying to play through Windows 3.1 and the game won't work!**

Exit Windows and play the game through DOS.

### **It takes a loooooong time to load my saved games. Is something wrong?**

Nope. Depending on your hardware and where you are in the game, you may experience lengthy loading times. Just relax and wait . . .

### **I don't get any music in the game.**

To get music, your CD-ROM drive and soundcard need to be set up to play Redbook audio. Consult the manuals for your CD-ROM drive

and soundcard for information on how to hook up a Redbook Audio cable.

### **I went to the Game Options screen and set my difficulty level to Advanced. But the next time I played the game, it was set back to Novice again! How do I get the Advanced difficulty level to stick?**

Press F3 to bring up the Game Options screen, then set the difficulty to Advanced. Now *click on the Save tab at the top of the Game Options screen*. If you don't click on Save, changes in Game Options won't carry over to the next game session.

### **I'm standing on a diagonal to an enemy, but I can't hit him!**

Remember, you can only attack enemies hand-to-hand from the north, south, east, or west. You can't attack on a diagonal with a sword or other hand weapon (though you can with a bow or spell.)

### **My characters keep getting sick. What's wrong?**

Make sure your characters are well-fed and well-rested. Most importantly, make sure they're wearing clothes! You're sure to get a cold if you walk around in the buff all the time.

### **Where do I go? What should I do?**

As the priestess of Travia suggested, try visiting the other temples in the area. The local cemetery is also a good place to dig around. Last, but far from least, pay a visit to the Harbour Maid tavern. You're sure to pick up some good gossip there.

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- Letter explaining problem and computer configuration
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